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House of Representatives

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, March 10, 2003, at 12 noon.

Senate

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The Senate met at 9:30 a.m. and was called to order by the President protempore (Mr. STEVENS).

PRAVER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Dear God, omnipresent Lord of all life, we do not presume to invite You into this Chamber or into the deliberations of this day; You are already here. This is Your Nation; this historic Chamber is the sanctuary for the sacred work of government. All the Senators are here by Your choice, and all of us who work to support their leadership are here by Your providence.

The one place You will not enter

without our invitation is our souls. You have ordained that we must ask You to take up residence in our inner being and to guide our thinking, desires, vision, and plans. The latch string is on the inside. You stand at the door of each of our souls, persistently knocking. We open the door and receive You as absolute Sovereign of our lives. Just as You reign as Sovereign of this Nation and our ultimate Leader to whom we relinquish our own wills, may Your very best for our beloved Nation be accomplished through what is debated and decided today. You are our Lord and Savior. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable TED STEVENS led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The acting majority leader is recognized.

SCHEDULE

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, on behalf of the majority leader, I advise Members that the Senate will be in a period of morning business until the hour of 12:30 p.m. today, with time equally divided between the chairman of the Armed Services Committee and the Democratic leader or their designees. The Senate leadership-the majority and minority-recognizing that a number of Senators have desired to speak on the international situation, is making this period available for Senators to address the world scene relating to the war on terrorism, with emphasis on Iraq and North Korea.

As announced last night, there will be no rollcall votes during today's session. The next vote will occur at 6 p.m. on Monday. It will be on the nomination of Gregory Frost of Ohio to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio.

Also, a reminder: Under the consent agreement reached last night, the Senate will begin consideration of Calendar No. 19, S. 3, the partial-birth abortion bill, at 5 p.m. on Monday.

RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, leadership time is reserved.

MORNING BUSINESS

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, there will be a period for the transaction of morning business not to extend beyond the hour of 12:30 p.m., with time to be equally divided between the Senator from Virginia, Mr. WARNER, and the Democratic leader or their designees.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. THOMAS). Who yields time?

Mr. WARNEŘ. Mr. President, I yield such time as may be required to our distinguished colleague from New Hampshire.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from New Hampshire.

WAR ON TERRORISM

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, I thank the Senator from Virginia.

Mr. President, I appreciate the Senator from Virginia organizing this opportunity to discuss what is obviously one of the most serious issues which we as a nation are facing and which the world is facing; that is, the question of how we address terrorism, and specifically how we address terrorist states such as Iraq.

The leadership of the Senator from Virginia on this point has been long and strong and continuous. I admire the fact that he has given us that leadership, and I appreciate the fact that his service in the Senate and his expertise are brought to bear on this type of a very difficult question.

When we begin to address this issue of terrorism, I think we should start with the source. Let us turn to the

• This "bullet" symbol identifies statements or insertions which are not spoken by a Member of the Senate on the floor.

